

Joe Bowers never returned to the land he made famous. He died penniless and among strangers, in the good fields, and his resting place is today unknown. He was the type of man, like Merrill Argonaut, who his ilk were well able to furnish. He had some romantic incidents and inspire the most fascinating characters of a distinctly American literature.

The story of Joe Bowers, like others of this kind, has been distorted abroad and hedged about with a thick mist of fiction. Not long since a well-known editor, writing there to a Missourian calling upon him to edit a "Missouri post" works of the eminent Missouri poet, Mr. Joseph Bowers

**OPEN HOUSE AT Y. M. C. A.**

**Interesting Programme Arranged for New Year's Celebration.**

The Young Men's Christian Association will hold its yearly "open house" to-morrow, and the entire building at Franklin and Grand avenues will be thrown open to visitors. Men and women for the afternoon, and men and women for the night. Refreshments will be served on the third floor by a committee of young ladies.

The reception will begin at 2:30 o'clock and an orchestra will be stationed in a corridor. At 3 o'clock a Cælian recitation will be given by the Y. M. C. A. At 3:30 New Year's greeting will be given by Doctor W. J. McKitterick in the lecture hall. At 4:30 Mrs. Fenetta Sargent Hancock, reader and impersonator, will appear in the Association Hall. From 5:30 to 7:30 games by the various clubs.

At 7:30 Miss Olaf Kræmer, the little Missourian woman, will be in the Association Hall at 8 o'clock, in the gymnasium, an exhibition of fencing, wrestling, boxing and a basket-ball game between the Y. M. C. A. and the Central team. The last game played in the gymnasium. The former team was a tie, hence this new